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QUESTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS SUBJECTED TO ANY FORM OF DETENTION OR IMPRISONMENT, IN PARTICULAR: TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT

United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture

Report of the Secretary-General

Addendum

Introduction

1. This addendum supplements and updates the information communicated to the fifty-first session of the Commission on Human Rights, which is to be found in the annual report of the Secretary-General to the General Assembly (A/49/484 and Add.1 and Corr.1), and in the annual report of the Secretary-General to the Commission on Human Rights (E/CN.4/1995/33). A list of all contributions and pledges made from the establishment of the Fund up to 3 February 1995 is contained in annex 1; the Fund secretariat will duly correct any errors Governments may find and draw to its attention. A list of humanitarian organizations benefiting from grants allocated from the Fund appears in annex 2. Finally, an excerpt from the statement made by Mr. Jaap Walkate, Chairman of the Fund's Board of Trustees, at the seminar on "The reality of the penitentiary system in Bolivia - problems and prospects" (La Paz, 24 November 1994) is contained in annex 3.

New contributions received

2. The following contributions for 1994/95 have been registered since the publication of document E/CN.4/1995/33 on 28 November 1994:

Government	Contribution/year (in US$)	Date	Number of contribution	Amount of previous contribution (in US$)
Algeria	5 000 for 1994	30.12.94	1st	-
	5 000 for 1995	14.12.94	2nd	5 000
Belgium	92 149 for 1994	30.12.94	5th	83 845
Canada	17 094 for 1995	13.01.95	2nd	19 668
Cyprus	500 for 1995	12.12.94	7th	500
United States	1 500 000 for 1995	24.01.95	11th	1 500 000
Israel	20 000 for 1994	23.11.94	1st	-
Netherlands	113 788 for 1994	30.12.94	13th	103 248
Portugal	10 000 for 1995	13.01.95	1st	-
Switzerland	24 410 for 1995	16.01.95	8th	52 778

3. The above table calls for the following comments:

(a) For the second consecutive year, the United States has multiplied the amount of its contribution by 15 with respect to 1992.

(b) As it had done the previous year, Belgium multiplied the amount of its contribution by eight with respect to 1988.

(c) Algeria, Israel and Portugal are new donor States.

(d) The contribution of the Netherlands for 1993, amounting to US$ 103,248, was omitted from the table in annex 1 of the report to the General Assembly (A/49/484).

(e) Canada, Cyprus, the Netherlands and Switzerland are among the States that contribute to the Fund regularly. The other regular donor countries which made a contribution between the thirteenth session of the Board of Trustees, in May 1994, and 28 November 1994 are: Denmark ($151,347 for 1994), Hungary ($500 for 1994), Ireland ($30,080 for 1994), Luxembourg ($3,131 for 1994), Monaco ($15,000 for 1994), Uganda ($737 for 1994), Sweden ($475,367 for 1995) and Tunisia ($1,489 for 1994).

All of the above-mentioned States responded to the appeals made by the Commission on Human Rights in its resolution 1994/36 of 4 March 1994, and by the General Assembly in its resolution 49/176 of 23 December 1994. In these appeals, the Commission and the General Assembly ask all Governments in a

position to do so to respond favourably to requests for contributions to the Fund, if possible on a regular basis and annually before the meeting of the Board of Trustees.

New pledges

4. The following pledges for 1994/95 have been registered since the publication of document E/CN.4/1995/33 on 28 November 1994:

Government	Amount pledged/year (US$)	Number of contribution	Amount of previous contribution (US$)
Germany*	120 806 for 1995	13th	119 761
Andorra*	1 040 for 1995	1st	-
Brazil	10 000 for 1995	5th	5 000
Chile*	2 000 for 1995	3rd	2 000
Spain*	56 000 for 1995	10th	48 046
Iceland*	5 634 for 1995	10th	3 492
Luxembourg*	4 839 for 1995	12th	3 132
Monaco*	15 899 for 1995	2nd	15 000
Japan	100 000 for 1994	9th	100 000

* Pledge made at the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, in New York, on 2 November 1994.

New individual contribution

5. An individual contribution of Can$ 150 has been received from Mrs. Ethel North (Canada).

Contribution from a non-governmental organization

6. The Friends World Committee for Consultation (Quakers) made a contribution of $517 to the Fund on 8 December 1994.

Use of contributions

7. It will be recalled that information on the use of contributions received up to the thirteenth session of the Fund's Board of Trustees (17-27 May 1994) is contained in the latest report to the General Assembly (A/49/484), in particular annexes II and V, for the action taken following the Secretary-General's decision to approve the Board's recommendations at its thirteenth session.

Funds needed up to 15 May 1995

8. At its thirteenth session the funds Board of Trustees decided to allocate US$ 3,700,000 in grants in 1994, while requests amounted to $4 million.

9. The total contributions received since the thirteenth session and available for allocation at the fourteenth session (15-24 May 1995) amount to $1,543,495, as against requests already totalling $5,533,370.

Annex I

GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS AND PLEDGES
FROM FEBRUARY 1982 TO 3 FEBRUARY 1995

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
ALGERIA	1	5 000.00	30.12.94	for 1994	
	2	5 000.00	14.12.94	for 1995	
ANDORRA	1	1 040.00 a/	02.11.94	for 1995	Ptas 130 000
ARGENTINA	1	5 000.00	06.07.88	for 1988	
	2	4 000.00	13.02.89	for 1989	
	3	4 000.00	15.11.91	for 1990	
	4	2 996.00	15.11.91	for 1991	
AUSTRALIA	1	12 816.00	18.12.84	for 1984	$A 15 000
	2	3 573.00	17.02.88	for 1988	
	3	6 212.30	30.11.93	for 1993	
	4	3 592.00	18.05.94	for 1994	
AUSTRIA	1	5 000.00	19.12.85	for 1985	
	2	5 000.00	16.10.86	for 1986	
	3	5 000.00	15.10.87	for 1987	
	4	5 000.00	09.03.88	for 1988	
	5	5 000.00	21.02.89	for 1989	
	6	5 000.00	22.02.90	for 1990	
	7	6 000.00	21.10.91	for 1991	
	8	10 000.00	19.10.92	for 1992	
	9	10 000.00	28.10.93	for 1993	
	10	20 000 00	24.05.94	for 1994	

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
BELGIUM	1	10 000.00	21.02.85	for 1984	
	2	10 000.00	02.02.87	for 1986	
	3	10 000.00	30.03.88	for 1987	
	4	83 844.78	23.12.93	for 1993	BF 3 000 000
	5	92 148.68	30.12.94	for 1994	3 000 000
BHUTAN	1	1 000.00	18.01.94	for 1993	
BRAZIL	1	5 000.00	17.06.85	for 1985	
	2	5 000.00	21.11.86	for 1986	
	3	5 000.00	01.08.88	for 1988	
	4	5 000.00	26.04.93	for 1992	
	5	10 000.00 b/	20.12.94	for 1995	
CAMEROON	1	1 113.77	09.08.84	for 1984	
	2	1 344.90	15.04.86	for 1986	
	3	1 227.21	29.09.89	for 1989	
CANADA	1	7 932.00	23.11.83	for 1983	Can$ 10 000
	2	7 633.59	12.12.84	for 1984	10 000
	3	36 496.35	15.04.85	for 1985	50 000
	4	7 103.00	25.02.86	for 1986	10 000
	5	7 692.00	14.04.87	for 1987	10 000
	6	24 390.00	15.04.88	for 1988	30 000
	7	25 200.62	30.03.89	for 1989	
	8	25 031.73	08.03.90	for 1990	
	9	26 652.41	20.11.91	for 1991	
	10	24 939.73	08.06.92	for 1992	
	11	19 668.55	30.03.94	for 1994	
	12	17 094.00	13.01.95	for 1995	
CHILE	1	2 000.00	16.02.93	for 1991	
	2	2 000.00	11.05.94	for 1994	
	3	2 000.00 a/	02.11.94	for 1995	
COSTA RICA	1	10 000.00	05.94	for 1993	

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
CYPRUS	1	500.00	19.08.82	for 1982	
	2	200.00	29.09.83	for 1983	
	3	250.00	11.04.84	for 1984	
	4	300.00	23.12.86	for 1986	
	5	500.00	23.12.92	for 1992	
	6	500.00	23.12.93	for 1993	
	7	500.00	12.12.94	for 1995	
CZECH REPUBLIC	1	2 500.00	31.01.94	for 1994	
DENMARK	1	114 600.05	27.09.82	for 1982	
	2	104 783.36	05.04.84	for 1984	
	3	93 187.96	25.04.85	for 1985	Dkr 1 000 000
	4	120 402.14	21.03.86	for 1986	1 000 000
	5	155 050.78	04.03.88	for 1987	
	6	139 489.47	30.08.88	for 1988	1 000 000
	7	127 534.75	30.05.89	for 1989	
	8	173 430.45	31.10.90	for 1990	
	9	152 068.13	30.10.91	for 1991	
	10	168 661.73	29.10.92	for 1992	
	11	152 493.77	13.07.93	for 1993	
	12	151 347.41	10.06.94	for 1994	
FINLAND	1	81 729.02	05.01.83	for 1982	Fmk 450 000
	2	52 576.24	22.09.83	for 1983	
	3	75 936.55	26.06.84	for 1984	
	4	87 596.36	11.10.85	for 1985	
	5	104 304.95	09.06.86	for 1986	550 000
	6	134 048.26	01.04.87	for 1987	600 000
	7	154 922.54	19.01.88	for 1988	
	8	153 773.36	14.04.89	for 1989	
	9	171 198.39	25.04.90	for 1990	680 000
	10	174 640.70	07.05.91	for 1991	700 000

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
FINLAND (cont'd)	11	180 230.13	06.07.1992	for 1992	
	12	170 863.71	14.04.1993	for 1993	
	13	182 017.14	27.04.1994	for 1994	
FRANCE	1	19 480.52	24.06.1983	for 1983	FF 150 000
	2	20 496.89	12.04.1984	for 1984	165 000
	3	26 315.78	08.05.1985	for 1985	
	4	37 593.98	07.10.1986	for 1986	
	5	40 650.40	27.08.1987	for 1987	
	6	18 518.52	01.02.1988	for 1987	100 000
	7	76 271.18	09.01.1989	for 1988	
	8	32 154.00	15.03.1989	for 1989	200 000
	9	43 478.26	08.01.1990	for 1989	
	10	47 619.04	03.10.1990	for 1990	
	11	55 555.55	24.12.1991	for 1991	
	12	56 603.77	20.07.1992	for 1992	300 000
	13	88 495.57	02.04.1993	for 1993	
	14	86 956.52	24.03.1994	for 1994	
	15	17 139.86	08.04.1994	for 1994	
GERMANY	1	54 106.70	27.12.1983	for 1983	DM 150 000
	2	64 277.68	14.12.1984	for 1984	200 000
	3	79 032.64	09.12.1985	for 1985	200 000
	4	99 216.19	22.12.1986	for 1986	200 000
	5	119 688.81	10.12.1987	for 1987	200 000
	6	114 943.00	19.12.1988	for 1988	200 000
	7	112 549.24	07.12.1989	for 1989	200 000
	8	135 749.68	14.12.1990	for 1990	200 000
	9	126 103.40	29.11.1991	for 1991	200 000
	10	126 223.00	24.11.1992	for 1992	200 000

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
GERMANY (cont'd)	11	113 450.29	01.12.1993	for 1993	194 000
	12	119 760.48	05.05.1994	for 1994	200 000
	13	120 805.37 a/	02.11.1994	for 1995	180 000
GREECE	1	5 000.00	04.10.1983	for 1983	
	2	5 000.00	11.12.1984	for 1984	
	3	5 000.00	05.05.1985	for 1985	
	4	5 000.00	30.06.1986	for 1986	
	5	5 000.00	21.04.1987	for 1987	
	6	5 000.00	12.04.1988	for 1988	
	7	5 000.00	10.03.1989	for 1989	
	8	5 000.00	14.11.1990	for 1990	
	9	5 000.00	16.04.1993	for 1991	
	10	5 000.00	16.04.1993	for 1992	
	11	5 000.00	05.05.1994	for 1993	
	12	5 000.00	05.05.1994	for 1994	
HAITI	1	186.00	05.01.1989	for 1989	
HOLY SEE	1	1 000.00	22.04.1988	for 1988	
HUNGARY	1	500.00	31.12.1993	for 1993	
	2	500.00	02.06.1994	for 1994	
ICELAND	1	2 000.00	02.12.1986	for 1986	
	2	2 000.00	02.12.1987	for 1987	
	3	2 000.00	11.05.1989	for 1988	
	4	2 300.00	08.03.1990	for 1989	
	5	2 410.00	31.01.1991	for 1990	
	6	4 267.00	28.01.1992	for 1991	
	7	5 350.00	28.08.1992	for 1992	
	8	5 617.00	30.12.1993	for 1993	
	9	3 491.13	18.05.1994	for 1994	
	10	5 633.89 a/	02.11.1994	for 1995	

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
INDONESIA	1	1 985.87	20.07.1988	for 1988	
	2	5 000.00	20.04.1993	for 1993	
IRELAND	1	5 690.00	30.04.1984	for 1984	
	2	7 080.50	18.04.1985	for 1985	
	3	10 872.00	21.04.1986	for 1986	
	4	8 940.00	16.06.1987	for 1987	
	5	3 207.00	13.01.1988	for 1988	
	6	2 858.00	08.02.1989	for 1989	
	7	3 572.40	14.05.1991	for 1991	
	8	5 815.25	04.02.1992	for 1992	
	9	14 805.00	07.04.1993	for 1993	
	10	30 080.00	26.07.1994	for 1994	
ISRAEL	1	20 000.00	23.11.1994	for 1994	
ITALY	1	100 000.00	16.06.1987	for 1987	
	2	30 000.00	23.05.1991	for 1990	
	3	30 000.00	16.01.1992	for 1991	
	4	30 000.00	23.12.1992	for 1992	
	5	30 000.00	02.08.1992	for 1993	
JAPAN	1	50 000.00	19.08.1986	for 1986	
	2	50 000.00	23.10.1987	for 1987	
	3	50 000.00	24.06.1988	for 1988	
	4	50 000.00	27.12.1989	for 1989	
	5	50 000.00	30.04.1991	for 1990	
	6	50 000.00	31.01.1992	for 1991	
	7	100 000.00	18.02.1993	for 1992	
	8	100 000.00	14.01.1994	for 1993	
	9	100 000.00 b/	20.01.1995	for 1994	

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
JORDAN	1	1 000.00	10.02.1984	for 1984	
KENYA	1	400.00	24.04.1985	for 1985	
	2	500.00	23.04.1987	for 1987	
LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA	1	5 000.00	03.08.1988	for 1988	
	2	5 000.00	05.10.1993	for 1993	
LIECHTENSTEIN	1	2 286.00	05.04.1984	for 1984	SwF 5 000
	2	2 958.58	15.08.1986	for 1986	5 000
	3	3 597.00	08.04.1988	for 1988	5 000
	4	7 901.00	01.04.1992	for 1991	10 000
	5	6 438.00	27.05.1993	for 1992	10 000
	6	6 591.00	10.12.1993	for 1993	10 000
	7	7 029.88	23.04.1994	for 1994	
LUXEMBOURG	1	2 019.84	05.04.1983	for 1983	
	2	1 835.03	17.11.1983	for 1983	LuxF 100 000
	3	900.36	24.05.1984	for 1984	
	4	1 681.00	13.08.1984	for 1984	
	5	1 421.80	09.10.1986	for 1986	60 000
	6	1 102.71	20.11.1987	for 1987	
	7	2 917.15	15.05.1990	for 1990	
	8	2 959.42	19.05.1992	for 1991	
	9	3 017.60	23.04.1993	for 1992	100 000
	10	2 785.71	20.12.1993	for 1993	100 000
	11	3 131.61	27.09.1994	for 1994	
	12	4 838.71 a/	02.11.1994	for 1995	150 000
MALTA	1	300.00	01.03.1989	for 1989	
MAURITIUS	1	999.31	21.01.1994	for 1994	

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
MONACO	1	15 000.00	06.07.1994	for 1994	
	2	15 898.44 a/	02.11.1994	for 1995	
NETHERLANDS	1	45 000.00	06.07.1982	for 1982	
	2	50 000.00	07.05.1984	for 1984	
	3	14 415.00	18.04.1985	for 1984	Guilders 50 000
	4	46 335.00	04.09.1985	for 1985	150 000
	5	44 799.38	06.06.1986	for 1986	115 000
	6	121 012.46	28.11.1986	for 1986	
	7	50 308.14	22.12.1988	for 1988	
	8	40 521.72	22.12.1989	for 1989	8 000
	9	26 805.66	26.12.1990	for 1990	45 000
	10	54 990.69	12.12.1991	for 1991	100 000
	11	52 631.58	01.03.1994	for 1992	100 000
	12	103 248.00	01.03.1994	for 1993	200 000
	13	113 787.88	30.12.1994	for 1994	200 000
NEW ZEALAND	1	13 400.00	14.02.1986	for 1986	$NZ 25 000
	2	15 610.00	27.02.1987	for 1987	
	3	20 040.00	05.02.1988	for 1988	30 000
	4	18 420.00	17.03.1989	for 1989	
	5	17 685.00	14.03.1990	for 1990	
	6	17 676.00	29.05.1991	for 1991	30 000
	7	27 494.00	22.05.1992	for 1992	
	8	15 957.00	25.05.1993	for 1993	
	9	15 579.00	16.05.1994	for 1994	

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
NORWAY	1	100 000.00	02.03.1982	for 1982	
	2	136 967.54	24.10.1983	for 1983	NKr. 1 million
	3	5 000.00	14.11.1986	for 1986	
	4	50 000.00	12.02.1987	for 1987	
	5	75 000.00	30.12.1988	for 1988	
	6	99 985.00	06.05.1991	for 1991	
	7	74 985.00	31.12.1992	for 1992	
	8	99 973.48	20.07.1993	for 1993	
	9	95 884.69	25.05.1994	for 1994	
PORTUGAL	1	10 000.00	13.01.1995	for 1995	
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	1	5 000.00	29.12.1988	for 1988	
	2	5 000.00	22.12.1989	for 1989	
SAN MARINO	1	2 117.31	28.02.1984	for 1983	Lit 3 500 000
	2	2 258.93	24.08.1984	for 1984	4 000 000
SENEGAL	1	186.00	01.01.1987	for 1987	
SPAIN	1	13 176.09	25.04.1986	for 1986	Ptas 2 000 000
	2	19 196.65	07.04.1987	for 1987	
	3	22 304.50	31.03.1988	for 1988	
	4	34 894.88	13.03.1989	for 1989	
	5	36 730.27	14.03.1990	for 1990	
	6	34 798.64	22.08.1991	for 1991	
	7	67 187.52	19.03.1992	for 1992	
	8	58 500.75	30.03.1993	for 1993	
	9	48 045.46	24.02.1994	for 1994	
	10	56 000.00 a/	02.11.1994	for 1995	7 000 000

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
SRI LANKA	1	500.00	25.04.1988	for 1988	
	2	500.00	12.02.1991	for 1990	
	3	500.00	12.02.1991	for 1991	
	4	500.00	08.03.1993	for 1992	
SWEDEN	1	150 000.00	14.06.1982	for 1982	
	2	60 790.27	16.01.1984	for 1984	
	3	72 020.16	31.10.1986	for 1986	
	4	95 655.64	01.07.1988	for 1988	
	5	169 097.00	29.11.1991	for 1991	SKr 1 000 000
	6	173 631.46	20.02.1992	for 1992	1 000 000
	7	247 142.42	13.10.1993	for 1993	2 000 000
	8	376 647.83	22.10.1993	for 1994	3 000 000
	9	475 367.00	11.11.1994	for 1995	3 500 000
SWITZERLAND	1	68 540.10	03.01.1984	for 1984	SwF 150 000
	2	92 165.90	30.10.1986	for 1986	150 000
	3	32 258.06	01.03.1989	for 1989	50 000
	4	15 748.03	18.01.1991	for 1990	20 000
	5	25 925.93	15.01.1992	for 1991	35 000
	6	46 357.62	06.01.1993	for 1992	70 000
	7	52 777.78	23.12.1993	for 1993	76 000
	8	24 409.45	16.01.1995	for 1995	
TOGO	1	1 540.4[illegible]	15.03.1989	for 1989	
TUNISIA	1	1 298.70	16.05.1991	for 1991	Dinars 1 000
	2	1 298.70	16.04.1992	for 1992	1 000
	3	1 948.00	15.04.1992	for 1993	1 500
	4	1 753.24	09.06.1993	for 1993	supple-mentary
	5	1 489.57	14.11.1994	for 1994	1 500

State	Contr. No.	Amount (US$)	Date pledged/ paid	Contribution year	Local Currency Equivalent
UGANDA	1	737.00	19.07.1994	for 1994	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	1	100 000.00	01.10.1985	for 1985	
	2	86 000.00	01.02.1987	for 1986	
	3	86 000.00	01.06.1987	for 1987	
	4	90 000.00	18.02.1992	for 1988	
	5	100 000.00	18.02.1992	for 1989	
	6	100 000.00	18.02.1992	for 1990	
	7	100 000.00	18.02.1992	for 1991	
	8	97 000.00	13.12.1992	for 1992	
	9	500 000.00	29.03.1993	for 1993	
	10	1 500 000.00 500 000.00 1 000 000.00	20.05.1994 18.08.1994 24.10.1994	for 1994	
	11	500 000.00	24.01.1995	for 1995	
UNITED KINGDOM	1	12 445.00	02.10.1984	1985+86	Pounds 10 000
	2	41 987.50	20.05.1987	1987+88	25 000
	3	50 733.00	15.02.1990	1989+90	25 000
	4	42 006.58	24.09.1991	1991+92	25 000
	5	52 238.81	15.02.1994	1993+94	35 000
YUGOSLAVIA	1	5 000.00	18.12.1990	for 1980	

a/ Pledge made at the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities, in New York, on 2 November 1994.

b/ Pledge made by letter.

Annex 2

HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS BENEFITING FROM GRANTS ALLOCATED FROM THE FUND

Organizations that have authorized the secretariat to mention their identity, the type of assistance offered by them and the geographical area in which they operate

Organization	Type of assistance offered	Geographical area
Amigos de los Sobrevivientes (Oregon, United States)	Medical, psychological, social	Latin America
ATYHA (Instituto de Alternativas en Psicología) (Asunción, Paraguay)	Medical, psychological, social	Latin America
AVRE (Association pour les victimes de la répression en exil) (Paris, France)	Medical, psychological, social, training of professional health workers	Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America
Balay Rehabilitation Centre (Quezon City, Philippines)	Medical, psychological, social	Asia
Behandlungszentrum für Folteropfer (Berlin, Germany)	Medical, psychological, social, training of professional health workers	Africa, Asia, Europe, Eastern Europe, Latin America, Middle-East
CAPSDH-Ghana (Commission africaine des promoteurs de la santé et des droits de l'homme) (Accra, Ghana)	Medical, psychological, social	Africa
CCVT (Canadian Center for Victims of Torture) (Toronto, Canada)	Medical, psychological	Latin America, Africa, Asia, Middle East
CEFPRODHAC (Centro de Estudios Fronterizos y de Promoción de los Derechos Humanos) (Tamaulipas, Mexico)	Medical, psychological, legal	Latin America

Organization	Type of assistance offered	Geographical area
CIIS (California Institute of Integral Studies) (California, United States)	Medical, psychological	Latin America, Asia
CINTRAS (Centro de Salud Mental y Derechos Humanos) (Santiago, Chile)	Medical, psychological, social, training of professional health workers	Latin America
CODESEDH (Comité para la Defensa de la Salud, la Etica Profesional y los Derechos Humanos) (Buenos Aires, Argentina)	Medical, psychological, social, seminars	Latin America
COMEDE (Comité médical pour les exilés) (Paris, France)	Medical, psychological, social, training of professional health workers	Africa, Asia, Latin America
Swedish Red Cross (Stockholm, Sweden)	Medical, psychological, social, training of professional health workers	Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America
CVICT (Centre for Victims of Torture) (Katmandu, Nepal)	Medical, psychological, social	Asia
CVT (Center for Victims of Torture) (Minnesota, United States)	Medical, psychological, social	Entire world
EATIP (Equipo Argentino de Trabajo e Investigación Psicosocial) (Buenos Aires, Argentina)	Medical, psychological, social	Latin America
EXIL (Centre médico psychosocial pour réfugiés) (Brussels, Belgium)	Medical, psychological, social, training of professional health workers	Africa, Latin America, Asia
FASIC (Fundación de Ayuda Social de las Iglesias Cristianas) (Santiago, Chile)	Medical, psychological, social, legal, seminars	Latin America

Organization	Type of assistance offered	Geographical area
Geneva Initiative on Psychiatry and Ukrainian Psychiatric Association (Amsterdam, Netherlands)	Medical, psychological, social	Eastern Europe
HRFT (Human Rights Foundation of Turkey) (Ankara, Istanbul, Izmir, Turkey)	Medical, psychological	Europe
ICAR Foundation (Bucharest, Romania)	Medical, psychological, social	Eastern Europe
INHURED (Institute for Human Rights, Environment and Development) (Katmandu, Nepal)	Seminars, training of professional health workers and of legal experts	Asia
Iglesia Metodista, Centro de salud mental (Punta Arenas, Chile)	Medical, psychological	Latin America
JKCHR (Jammu and Kashmir Council for Human Rights) (London, United Kingdom)	Medical, psychological, social	Asia
LAPPH (Ligue des anciens prisonniers politiques haïtiens et des amis et parents des disparus) (Port-au-Prince, Haiti)	Medical, social, legal	Caribbean
MIDU (Mutualista Israelita del Uruguay) (Montevideo, Uruguay)	Medical, psychological	Latin America
Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture (London, United Kingdom)	Medical, psychological, social, training of professional health workers	Entire world
Methodist Church of Southern Africa (Durban, South Africa)	Medical, psychological, social, legal	Africa

Organization	Type of assistance offered	Geographical area
PIDEE (Fundación para la protección de la infancia dañada por los estados de emergencia) (Santiago, Chile)	Medical, social, educational, to children victims of torture	Latin America
POC (Prisoners of Conscience Appeal Fund) (London, United Kingdom)	Social	Middle East, Africa, Eastern Europe
PTV (Programme for Torture Victims) (California, United States)	Medical, psychological, social	Latin America, Asia, Africa
RCT (Rehabilitation and Research Centre for Torture Victims) (Copenhagen, Denmark)	Medical, psychological, seminars, training of professional health workers	Entire world
RIVO (Réseau d'intervention auprès des victimes de la violence organisée (Montreal, Canada)	Medical, psychological, social	Africa, Latin America, Middle East
SELDA (Society of Ex-Detainees for Liberation against Detention and for Amnesty) (Manilla, Philippines)	Medical, psychological, social, legal	Asia
SOS-TORTURE (Geneva, Switzerland)	Emergency aid to victims of torture	Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America
Survivors International of Northern California (California, United States)	Medical, psychological, training of professional health workers	Africa, Latin America, Asia, Eastern Europe, Middle East
Taller Julio Cortázar (Córdoba, Argentina)	Medical, psychological, social, legal, to children victims of torture	Latin America
TNM (Tortura Nunca Mais) (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)	Medical, psychological, social	Latin America

Organization	Type of assistance offered	Geographical area
VAT (Voice against Torture) (Islamabad, Pakistan)	Medical, psychological, social, training of professional health workers	Middle East, Asia
ZEBRA (Zentrum zur sozialmedizinischen, rechtlichen und kulturellen Betreuung von Ausländern und Ausländerinnen) (Graz, Austria)	Medical, psychological, social	Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Middle East

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A number of medical or social humanitarian organizations preferred not to appear on this list. The secretariat of the Fund is nevertheless authorized to mention their number (42) and to indicate their type of activity (medical, psychological and social assistance; training of professional health workers) and the geographical areas in which they operate (Latin America, Asia, South-East Asia, Middle East, Eastern Europe and Africa).

Annex 3

STATEMENT BY JAAP A. WALKATE, AMBASSADOR OF THE NETHERLANDS, AT THE NATIONAL SEMINAR ON "THE REALITY OF THE PENITENTIARY SYSTEM IN BOLIVIA - PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS" (La Paz, 24 and 25 November 1994)

(Abstract)

The penitentiary system in the light of international norms and rules

Illegal practices must be denounced

It is of the utmost importance that there should never be any doubt in the minds of those who handle detainees or arrested persons that torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment is prohibited by law and that it is approved neither by the government, nor by the law-enforcement bodies.

As Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture, I have come to the conclusion that in our struggle to achieve a humanitarian penitentiary system without infringement of the rights of the detainee, there is nothing so important as the official and unconditional denunciation of such illegal practices. And that denunciation should be made not only by the political authorities, but even more importantly, by every member of the judicial hierarchy, so that it can never be argued that perpetrators of illegal practices at the place of detention were simply employing what they considered to be a lawful instrument of government policy.

A simple text, such as "The Government will tolerate neither torture nor cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment; perpetrators of such acts will be prosecuted", should be displayed in all police stations and places of detention. In cases where law enforcement personnel cannot read, the warning should be made in the form of an oral instruction. I base my suggestion on scientific research which has established that torture and other forms of maltreatment are not ordinary crimes, but "crimes of obedience"*). A "crime of obedience" has been defined as a crime committed not in opposition to the authorities, but under their explicit instructions. The fact that crimes of obedience take place within a hierarchical structure makes it especially difficult to pinpoint responsibility for them. This fact should not, however, serve as a justification for those who seek to evade their responsibilities under the law within the penitentiary system. The advantage of a clear and unambiguous denunciation as described above is that no one will be able to claim subsequently that they "did not know". It is interesting to note in

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* See Ronald D. Crelinsten and Alex P. Schmid, The Politics of Pain, Leiden 1993, p. 22.

this regard that the Bolivian Constitution expressly prohibits "all forms of torture, coercion, extortion, and physical or moral violence on pain of immediate dismissal and without prejudice to such punishment as the law stipulates for those who commit, order, instigate or consent to such acts" (art. 12).

One way of combating this evil would be for the courts at all levels to declare null and void any confession from a detainee obtained through pressure, or even worse, through torture or cruel treatment. Careful study of the files of those convicted could yield information in this respect and could provide sufficient grounds for nullification of a previous conviction.